

Remarks and Arguments

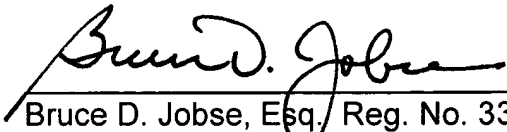
Applicants have carefully considered the Office Action dated March 23, 2006 and the references cited therein. Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the application.

All pending claims have been rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by US Patent 6109340, Nakase et al., hereafter Nakase. Applicants have amended the claims. Specifically, claim 1 now recites a system for cooling electronic components comprising "a blower coupled to the surface, the blower having a first port..., wherein air flowing through the first port flows across the at least one of the one or more electronic components and perpendicular to the axis of impeller rotation " (Claim 1, lines 5-10). Nakase does not disclose, teach or suggest an apparatus in which the airflow across the electronic components flows perpendicular to the axis of impeller rotation. Nor does previously cited Konstad disclose such a configuration. In Nakase, as well as the Konstad, the airflow created by the blower is drawn into the blower parallel to the axis of impeller or propeller rotation, not perpendicular thereto, as now claimed. In light of the foregoing amendment, Applicant respectfully asserts that claim 1 is neither anticipated by nor obvious in light of Nakase, whether considered singularly or in combination with any other art of record. Claims 2-5 include all of the limitations of claim 1 and are likewise believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 1, as well as for the merits of their own respective limitations.

Claims 6, 16, 27, and 42 have been amended to include language similar to claim 1 (claim 6, lines 8-10; claim 16, lines 9-11; claim 27, lines 10-11; and claim 42, lines 11-12), and, along with their respective dependent claims, are likewise allowable over Nakase, for at least the same reasons as claim 1, as well as for the merits of their own respective limitations.

Applicants believe the claims are in allowable condition. A notice of allowance for this application is solicited earnestly. If the Examiner has any further questions regarding this amendment, he/she is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the number listed below. The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any balances under 37 CFR §1.17, and 1.16 to Deposit Account No. 02-3038.

Respectfully submitted,



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